

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY**

**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**June 28, 2004**

**IN RE:**

**PETITION OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION FOR  
APPROVAL OF GAS TRANSPORTATION  
AGREEMENT WITH THE GOODYEAR TIRE AND  
RUBBER COMPANY**

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**DOCKET NO.  
03-00540**

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**ORDER ESTABLISHING NEW PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE AND  
RE-SUSPENDING SPECIAL CONTRACT**

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On May 19, 2004, the Hearing Officer suspended the Procedural Schedule in this docket upon the joint request of the Parties, Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos") and the Staff of the Energy and Water Division of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Staff"). The Hearing Officer ordered Atmos and Staff to file a proposed Procedural Schedule, either individually or jointly, no later than Friday, June 25, 2004.

Neither Party filed a proposed Procedural Schedule by the established deadline. However, Staff filed a proposed Procedural Schedule on June 28, 2004, as indicated below:

July 16, 2004	pre-filed direct testimony
July 23, 2004	discovery requests
July 30, 2004	responses or objections to discovery
August 4, 2004	status conference to resolve objections to discovery and to set a date for the hearing on the merits

Staff also requested that all filings be due at the close of business on the dates indicated.

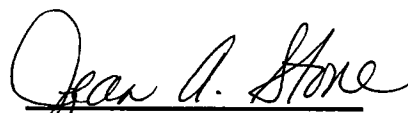
The Hearing Officer finds the proposed Procedural Schedule is reasonable and should be implemented, as follows:

<b>July 16, 2004</b>	Pre-filed Direct Testimony shall be filed with the TRA and served on all Parties
<b>July 23, 2004</b>	Discovery Requests shall be filed with the TRA and served on all Parties
<b>July 30, 2004</b>	Responses or Objections to Discovery Requests shall be filed with the TRA and served on all Parties
<b>August 4, 2004</b>	Status Conference to Resolve Objections to Discovery and to Set a Date for the Hearing on the Merits

The suspension of the special contract is due to expire on June 28, 2004. In order to allow for the setting of a schedule for the completion of this docket, the Hearing Officer finds the special contract should be suspended through August 30, 2004 or until otherwise acted upon by the Authority.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Procedural Schedule in this Docket is established as stated herein, with all filings due by 4:00 p.m. (central) on the dates indicated; and
2. The special contract is suspended through August 30, 2004 or until otherwise acted upon by the Authority.

  
Jean A. Stone  
as Hearing Officer